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|---|-------|
| Vessels inspected:                                |       |
| From foreign ports .....                          | 5     |
| From domestic ports .....                         | 62    |
| Total .....                                       | 67    |
| Number of passengers on arriving boats inspected: |       |
| Cabin .....                                       | 298   |
| Steerage .....                                    | 701   |
| Total .....                                       | 999   |
| Crew of arriving boats inspected .....            | 2,111 |
| Vessels in quarantine .....                       | 0     |

## PORTO RICO.

*Report from San Juan—Vital statistics—Varioloid.*

Assistant Surgeon King, chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, reports, May 6, as follows:

*Vital statistics, city of San Juan, P. R., for April, 1903.*

|                              |    |   |    |
|------------------------------|----|---|----|
| Whooping cough .....         | 1  | Emphysema .....                           | 1  |
| Malarial fever .....         | 1  | Gastro-enteritis .....                    | 8  |
| Septicæmia .....             | 1  | Enterocolitis .....                       | 8  |
| Tetanus .....                | 4  | Ulceration of stomach .....               | 1  |
| Tubercle of lungs .....      | 11 | Cirrhosis of liver .....                  | 1  |
| Tubercle of intestines ..... | 1  | Jaundice .....                            | 1  |
| Burned .....                 | 1  | Nephritis, acute .....                    | 3  |
| Cancer .....                 | 2  | Bright's disease .....                    | 3  |
| Rickets .....                | 6  | Fracture of base of skull .....           | 1  |
| Anæmia .....                 | 4  | Death by accident (cause not given) ..... | 1  |
| Meningitis .....             | 4  | Total .....                               | 81 |
| Inflammation of brain .....  | 3  |   |    |
| Paralysis, progressive ..... | 1  | APRIL, 1903.                              |    |
| Laryngismus stridulus .....  | 1  | Births .....                              | 75 |
| Heart disease .....          | 2  | Deaths .....                              | 81 |
| Bronchitis:                  |    |   |    |
| Chronic .....                | 1  | APRIL, 1902.                              |    |
| Capillary .....              | 4  | Births .....                              | 81 |
| Pneumonia .....              | 3  | Deaths .....                              | 81 |
| Broncho-pneumonia .....      | 2  |   |    |

A few sporadic cases of varioloid are reported in San Juan, but the disease is of such an exceedingly mild type, and the cases so few in number, that the outbreak is not to be considered of importance from a quarantine standpoint.

The mortality reports from the subports are as follows: Mayaguez, 83; Arecibo, 86; Humacao, 33; Aguadilla, 40; Fajardo, 28; Arroyo, 7.

*Report from Ponce.*

Assistant Surgeon Goldberger reports, April 27, through the chief quarantine officer, as follows: For the week ended April 17, 26 deaths and 48 births were recorded by the board of health. Sanitary conditions unchanged.

*Inspection of immigrants at San Juan, Ponce, and subports.**Report of alien steerage passengers arriving at San Juan during the week ended May 2, 1903.*

| Date of arrival. | Vessel.                      | Where from.   | Number of immigrants. |
|------------------|------------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Apr. 27          | Martin Saenz (Spanish) ..... | Genoa, Barcelona, Palma de Mallorca, Valencia, Alicante, Malaga, Cadiz, Tenerife, and Las Palmas. | 2                     |
| 27               | Montserrat (Spanish) .....   | Genoa, Barcelona, Malaga, Cadiz, Las Palmas, Tenerife, Santa Cruz de la Palma.                    | 55                    |
| 28               | Maria Herrera (Cuban) .....  | Habana, Nuevitas, Porto Padre, Gibara, Porto Plata.   | 6                     |
|                  | Total .....                  |   | 63                    |

*Report of alien steerage passengers arriving at Ponce during the week ended April 25, 1903.*

| Date of arrival. | Vessel.                  | Where from.   | Number of immigrants. |
|------------------|--------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Apr. 20          | Montevideo, Spanish..... | Habana, Port Limon, Colon, Sabanailla, Curacao, Porto Cabello, La Guayra. | 5                     |

*Report of alien steerage passengers arriving at Ponce during the week ended May 2, 1903.*

| Date of arrival. | Vessel.                    | Where from.  | Number of immigrants. |
|------------------|----------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Apr. 30          | Martin Saenz, Spanish..... | Spain ports, Canary Islands, San Juan, and Mayaguez. | 1                     |

*Report of alien steerage passengers arriving at the six subports of Porto Rico during the week ended May 2, 1903.*

## MAYAGUEZ.

| Date of arrival. | Vessel.                     | Where from.  | Number of immigrants. |
|------------------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Apr. 29          | Martin Saenz (Spanish)..... | Genoa, Barcelona, Palma de Malloca, Valencia, Alicante, Malaga, Cadiz, Tenerife, and Las Palmas. | 3                     |

Arecibo, Humacao, Aguadilla, Arroyo, and Fajardo, no transactions.

## RUSSIA.

*Anthrax among skin handlers at Libau—No new cases.*

Consul Bornholdt at Riga reports, April 21, that no new cases of anthrax had been reported from Libau, and that the cases reported April 11 were recovering. Of the 15 workmen employed in the warehouse in which the outbreak occurred 3 were attacked by the disease. The remaining 12 have been thoroughly disinfected and are now isolated in the town hospital under strict observation.

## VENEZUELA.

*Report from La Guaira—Danger of transmission of smallpox from Trinidad to Porto Rico.*

Consul Goldschmidt reports, April 24, as follows: There are reported to be 1,200 cases of smallpox at Trinidad, which are mostly not isolated.

The port authorities here do not quarantine vessels or passengers arriving from there. That there is danger of the disease being brought here is evident, and further danger of its introduction into Porto Rico by passengers who may arrive from Trinidad and sail under short stay to Porto Rican ports.

The danger to American ports is less owing to the distance and time required for trips, when the disease would probably show itself.